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In re Patent Application of:
Kazuhiko Ueda et al.

Application No.: 10/764,759

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Art Unit: 1761

For: POLYSACCHARIDE CAPABLE OF
REDUCING THE VISCOSITY OF A
HYDRATED PSYLLIUM AND FOODS
CONTAINING THE POLYSACCHARIDE
AND PSYLLIUM

Examiner: Not Yet Assigned

AMENDMENT IN RESPONSE TO NON-FINAL OFFICE ACTION

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Dear Sir:

INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS

In response to the Office Action dated December 12, 2006, please amend the above-identified U.S. patent application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 3 of this paper.